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- A. USCINCEUR 100955Z FEB 78
- B. LONDON 2499 (DTG 141059Z FEB 78 NOTAL)
- C. ROBINSON-MACDONALD TELCONS OF FEB 14 AND 15.

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1. FOLLOWING CONFIRMS REF A.
2. YOU MAY PASS TO UK MOD QS AND AS CONTAINED PARA 3
REF A FOR USE ON AN UNCLASSIFIED BASIS BUT NOT REPEAT NOT
THE STATEMENT PROPOSED BY PARA 2 OF THAT SAME CABLE.

3. YOU SHOULD ALSO ADD THE FOLLOWING QS AND AS TO THOSE PROVIDED BY REF B:

--Q. WHAT WILL BE THE SPECIFIC MISSION OF THE KC-135'S?

A. THE KC-135'S WILL BE IN SUPPORT OF TACTICAL FIGHTER TRAINING. THEY WOULD ALSO BE AVAILABLE IN THE EVENT OF A NEED TO REINFORCE EUROPE/NATO.

--Q. HOW MANY FLIGHTS PER DAY WILL THE KC-135'S MAKE? BEGIN FYI: ALSO WILL THERE BE AN INCREASE IN ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES BY OTHER AIRCRAFT AS A RESULT OF HAVING AN ACTIVE FLYING UNIT AT GREENHAN COMMON? END FYI.

A. NORMALLY, APPROXIMATELY EIGHT KC-135 SORTIES WILL BE FLOWN FROM RAF GREENHAN COMMON DAILY, MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY. ROUTINE FLYING OPERATIONS ARE NOT PLANNED FOR THE WEEKENDS. QUIET HOUR PERIODS AS DEFINED BY THE UK WILL BE STRICTLY OBSERVED. BEGIN FYI. THERE WILL BE PERIODS WHEN FLYING OPERATIONS WILL BE INCREASED TO SUPPORT FIGHTER DEPLOYMENTS AND EXERCISES. ADDITIONAL ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES BY OTHER AIRCRAFT WILL OCCUR. THESE FLIGHTS WILL BE IN SUPPORT OF THE IN-PLACE UNIT OR BY AIRCRAFT THAT ARE DIVERTED FROM OTHER AIRFIELDS DUE TO WEATHER, ETC. END FYI.
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4. YOU MAY SHARE WITH UK MOD THE FYI PORTIONS OF THE SECOND Q AND A EMPHASIZING THAT THE INFORMATION SHOULD BE USED ON AN IF RAISED OR IF PRESSED BASIS TO FURTHER CALM THE WATERS OR IN RESPONSE TO PERSISTENT QUESTIONING AT THAT LEVEL OR TYPE OF DETAIL.

5. REFS A AND B, NOT PASSED TO USNATO, ARE BEING REPEATED BY DOD AND EMBASSY LONDON RESPECTIVELY.

6. QS AND AS DESCRIBED PARAS 2 AND 3 ABOVE REVERT TO UNCLASSIFIED WHEN PUBLICLY RELEASED.

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